



# Safeguarding Children in Sport



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## Methods:

- Awareness raising
- Education, training and monitoring

## Tools:

- Funding opportunities  
iProtect, Voices, ICoachKids
- Policy cooperation
- Communication

# A bit of history – Key documents

## Commission

- EU Proposal for Strategic Actions on Gender Equality 2014-2020
- EU Work Plan for Sport 2017-2020
- Erasmus+: sport 2014-2020

## Expert Groups (XG GG – XG INT)

- Recommendations on Gender Equality in sport (2016)
- Recommendations on the protection of young athletes and safeguarding children's rights in sport (2016)

## Council

- Council conclusions on Safeguarding children in sport (2019)

# Erasmus+ : Sport

## New

- Introduced in 2014 – Direct fundings for sport

## Stability

- 7 years period (2014-2020)

## Budget

- 2014-2020 – 265 million
- 2021-2027 – 550 million (previsions)

## Focus

- Grassroots sports

## Cooperation

- EAC, EACEA, sport movement and Member States



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# E+ projects: evolution

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Collaborative partnership					
HEPA	16	10	11	15	16
Dual careers	2	9	4	13	15
Social inclusion	13	10	16	13	15
Violence and intolerance in sport	3	4	8	5	6
Good governance	2	3	1	8	8
Fight against doping	2	0	7	5	4
Fight against match-fixing	1	3	2	3	2
Voluntary activity in sport		1	5	2	4
	39	40	54	64	70
Small collaborative projects					
Social inclusion			35	44	51
Traditional sports and games			9	2	8
Mobility/Volunteering			8	14	11
Protection of athletes			8	3	6
Education/Skills				21	42
			60	84	118



# Studies

**2016 - Study on gender-based violence in sport**

**2019 – Safeguarding children in sport**

<https://publications.europa.eu/fr/publication-detail/-/publication/03fc8610-e4c2-11e9-9c4e-01aa75ed71a1/language-en/format-PDF/source-106314066>

# Aims of this mapping study

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Mapping of data on violence against children in sport in different EU Member States

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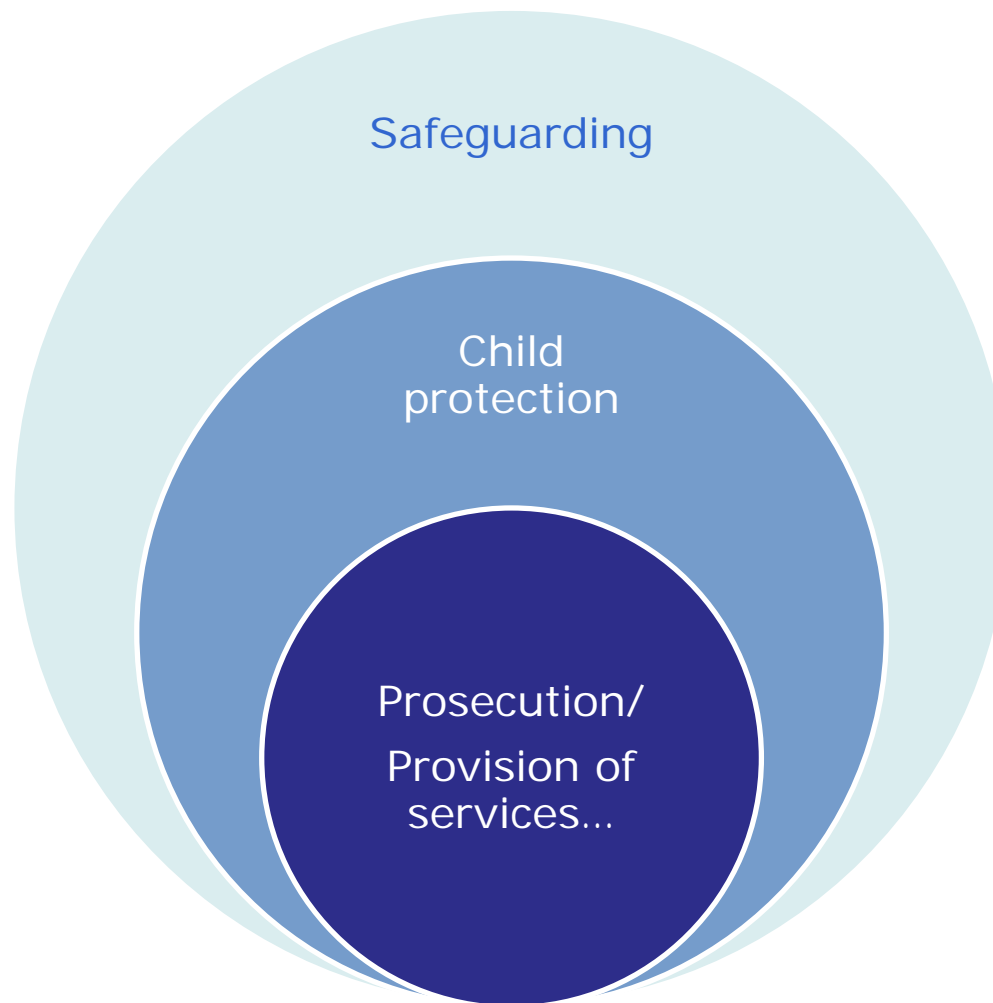
Explore existing legal and policy initiatives at national and international levels

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Provide the European Commission with adequate knowledge of existing initiatives

# What are we talking about?

- 'A set of actions that help to ensure all children participating in sport have a positive experience.'
- 'Keeping all children safe from harm, abuse, violence, exploitation and neglect'.
- Measures used to address the risk of all types of **interpersonal violence**, including **verbal, psychological, physical and sexual violence and neglect**
- Child protection forms a part of child safeguarding measures, but should be seen as the second line of defense in child safeguarding.





## Cooperation with the CoE

- 2016 - Balance in Sport (BIS): tools to implement gender equality
- 2017 – Pro-Safe Sport+ (PSS+): fighting gender-based violence against children in sport
- 2018/2019 – All in: towards gender balance in sport
- *2019/2020 – Child Safeguarding in Sport*



**THANKS**

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